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For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR MODELING A SIMULATED FLEET OF ASSETS

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Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Dear Sir:

Applicants submit this statement in accordance with their duty of disclosure under 37 CFR 1.56 and 1.97-1.98. This statement is filed in accordance with 37 CFR 1.97(b)(1) before the mailing date of the first Office Action.

Copies of the references together with a listing on form PTO 1449 are submitted herewith.

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Applicant respectfully solicits the Examiner's consideration of the cited references and entry thereof into the record of this application. No fee is believed necessary for consideration of this paper. However, please charge any fees required in connection with the filing of this paper to Deposit Account No. 18-0013 in the name of Rader, Fishman & Grauer PLLC.

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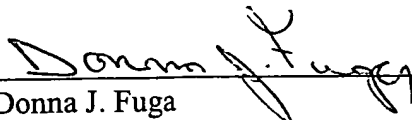
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